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Dear Sir or Madam:

The Department of Homeland Security has received your letter appealing the adverse determination of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement seeking all records concerning the scizure of the web domain dajaz1.com as seized as part of Operation In Our Sites.

On behalf of the Chief for the Government Information Law Division, we acknowledge your appeal request of **2012FOIA3637** and are assigning it number **OPLA12-363** for tracking purposes. Please reference this number in any future communications about your appeal.

A high number of FOIA/PA requests have been received by the Department. Accordingly, we have adopted the court-sanctioned practice of generally handling backlogged appeals on a first-in, first-out basis. While we will make every effort to process your appeal on a timely basis, there may be some delay in resolving this matter. Should you have any questions concerning the processing of your appeal, please contact ICE FOIA at 1-202-732-0600, or by email at <a href="ice-foia@dhs.gov">ice-foia@dhs.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Susan Mathias

Chief

Government Information Law Division ICE Office of the Principal Legal Advisor Department of Homeland Security

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Appeals of expedited treatment denials will be handled on an expedited basis.